

KANSAS CITY

Thurs. Sept. 14 '67.

~~A convention of~~ The International Association
of Chiefs of Police in Kansas City, Missouri, ^{the} forum today
for a stinging speech from President Johnson, ~~flaming~~
recent race riots on those he called -- "wretched, vulgar
men - poisonous propagandists; "who prey on the emotions
of the genuinely underprivileged - to suit their own selfish
purposes.

The President adding - that federal authorities
cannot "prevent a riot in a great metropolis; that
responsibility for controlling racial disorder - must rest
solely at the local level. The job then - said he: "To
make certain ~~that~~ law enforcement is fair and effective;
to make certain "that protection is afforded every family --
no matter where they live: to make certain "that justice
is swift - and blind to religion, color, status."

The Chief Executive later driving to Independence,

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*Missouri -- there to pay his respects to former President
Harry Truman. Then -- back to the White House.*

VIETNAM

War news from Vietnam tells today of massive American air strikes -- against an estimated force of some thirty-five thousand Viet Cong. ^{Reportedly} poised in that phony demilitarized zone ^{- Viet Cong set} for an all-out assault on U S marine outposts just south of the D. M. Z.

This - in sum -- the most concentrated bombardment of the war - ^{we hear.} ~~said American officials. And~~ ~~apparently - it turned the trick~~ U S intelligence later reporting the threatened invasion force - in total disarray.

Meanwhile, back in Saigon - ~~Prime~~ Prime Minister and Vice President-elect Ky today flatly denied - reports of a deepening feud with President-elect Thieu, ^{said to} have reached the point - where Ky threatened to resign as Vice President - even before taking office. "I've ~~had~~ heard the report" - said Ky -- "but it's complete nonsense."

SIKKIM

In the Himalayas little

~~A sharp cut back in~~ fighting today. - ~~at the~~

~~Roof of the World.~~ Chinese artillerymen firing only

three rounds ^{across into} ~~into the Indian protectorate of~~ Sikkim.

Indian forces - holding off entirely; ^{of the} in hope of ~~achieving~~

~~experimenting~~ a permanent cease fire ^{at Nathu La,} ~~along that Sikkim~~

~~that border~~

^{has been}
Nevertheless, tension mounting - throughout

Sikkim; in the face of a Chinese threat to send planes -

against Indian troops guarding ^{the} ~~Nathu~~ Pass. As a result -

on the Indian ^{side at Gangtok,} ~~bordering~~ a total blackout; with Sikkim's

largely ceremonial palace guards - mobilized to enforce

it.

By the way - the exiled Dalai Lama of Tibet - will be on his way to Tokyo next Monday. The Japanese Foreign Office - today granting him permission for a two week visit; providing he refrains from any political activity - while on Japanese soil.

This to be the first trip abroad for the Dalai Lama, since he fled to India in Nineteen Fifty-Nine. Perhaps a forerunner - of his long talked-about trip to the United Nations, to plead the case of his people - against Red Chinese aggression. Surely a visit to the U. N. by the Dalai Lama is long overdue!

VATICAN

At the Vatican in Rome - Pope Paul today named three Cardinals to a unique church panel, assigned the job of handling Vatican administrative matters - in the event ~~of~~^{the} Pontiff is temporarily incapacitated by that expected surgery.

The three select churchmen including - Cardinal Cicognani - the Pope's Secretary of State; Cardinal Tisserant - French Dean of the Sacred College of Cardinals; and Cardinal Aloisi Masella - Chamberlain of the Holy Roman Church; whose duties would be limited to day-to-day operation of the Church - specifically excluding matters of morals and faith.

These special arrangements necessary - because Pope Paul would be the first Pope ever to undergo surgery.

~~*The Vatican emphasizing, however - that the Pontiff is still working from his sick bed; apparently determined to delay his operation - at least until the end of that Bishops conference in October.*~~

Chairman William McChesney Martin of the Federal Reserve Board -- latest to speak out today; in favor of the President's requested // ten percent tax increase. Martin telling the House Ways and Means Committee it would be "grossly impudent" - as he put it - for congress to refuse a tax increase, in the face of what he called - "clear and compelling evidence" of inflation.

At the same time - the White House taking its cue from earlier witnesses - who criticized heavy federal spending. Letting it be known the President will be glad to have Congress trim spending - if it will assure approval of the tax hike.

CONTROL FOLLOW HOUSE

Elsewhere in Washington - a notable first today in the war against over population. For the first time in history - the United States agreeing to pay for overseas delivery of birth control pills and contraceptive devices.

~~U.S. aid administrator William Gaud - discussing details details of the plan, which calls for distribution of the devices~~ ^{for} a hundred thousand couples in India; all of whom have agreed to take part - in a giant birth control test. Total cost - a million-plus.

Why spend American money - on birth control in India? Because - said Gaud -- "the population problem in India has world importance."

CHICAGO

~~Here's a believe it or not - from Chicago.~~

~~Statistical proof that American highways - are getting safer every day. Or, at least a little less dangerous.~~

Another
~~This the burden of a~~ report today - from the National Safety Council, showing a total of twenty-eight thousand, four hundred and seventy U.S. traffic fatalities - through the first seven months of this year. A drop of two-hundred-and-ten - or about one percent *less than* ~~from the~~ ~~U.S. traffic toll~~ for the same period last year. This a

~~Better still - says the Safety Council:~~

"dramatic" decline of about six percent in the mileage death rate; when you take into ~~so~~ account a sharp increase in motoring - this year over last. *Still the toll on the highways far exceeds the toll in Viet Nam.*
~~like I could believe it or not.~~
Believe it or not.

CRIME FOLLOW CHICAGO

On the debit side - the U S crime rate - up
seventeen percent during the first six months of this year;
according to a report today - from the ^{FBI} ~~Federal Bureau~~
~~of Investigation.~~ The figures showing, what's more, more,
that the increase was equally distributed - in every kind
of crime - in every part of the country. ^{With} Those big city
riots of July and August -- expected to make the next tally
look even worse.

When a girl talks about flare patterns - it's safe to assume she's talking about fashions - right?

Wrong! The girl is talking about ~~flare~~ football - where flare patterns, delayed bucks and end arounds are a part of the vernacular. This especially true in Cleveland ~~from~~ from whence we hear today about the world's first girls professional football team.

The U S A Daredevils -- ~~as~~ they're called - made up of eighteen of the roughest, toughest, prettiest girl athletes in America. Hoping to arrange a schedule of games with semi-pro men's teams -- as ~~a forerunner~~ ^{a forerunner}

to regular national or American football league games. Can't you just see Grabowski of the Packers getting a hammerlock on Daisy of the Daredevils?

The Daredevils more than confident they can

hold their own against the men - and maybe so. ^{Warren,} ~~But~~

Didn't Kipling say "the female of the ~~can't help wondering what'll happen the first time a~~ species is more deadly than the male?" ~~fired-up quarterback throws a pass - at another fire-up~~

quarterbacks

SALISBURY

Speaking of sports - as I was a moment ago - here's a final item from Salisbury, Rhodesia. Where the mighty Arcadia United Soccer Team - takes on the hometown Tornado Team this Sunday.

Under Normal circumstances - Arcadia would be heavily favored. Most observers agreeing - Arcadia can field a far better team. Yet the betting is just the opposite - heavily in favor of the Tornadoes.

Reason - a local witch doctor who has cast an evil spell - on every visiting team the Tornadoes have played this year. And so far ~~that~~ ^{that witch doctor has been} ~~has~~ ^{been} ~~been~~ ^{batling} a thousand.